

# HRR NEWS



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This picture actually provoked some reaction from those with long memories. The question was asked WHO WAS DRIVING THIS COACH BACK IN 73 (and who cares anyway?)

Well Alan Graham and Mick Sayers got it right-It was Ray Houlton driving MRO 532L



-the picture was taken at The Green Broadway and Alan Graham took it to Norway the following week and BROKE DOWN!

THE NEXT QUESTION IS: IS THIS SEAT 3 LIL (Rose) sitting in the first seat on the left?

This edition has got the lot:Humour;Nostalgia;Serious Items and a particularly good 'NAME THE OWNER OF THE PET COMPETITION'

-Bet you can't wait!

## BUILT TO LAST



DENNIS  
ON A RECENT  
VISIT TO THE  
COACH WASH!

(WASH TOKENS  
ON A CHAIN)

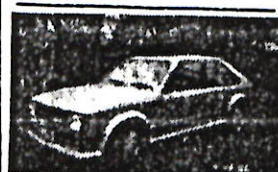


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THE OTHER?



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YOU MUST BE  
JOKING!!



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## SOCIAL CLUB

We have held several events which were supported by the loyal few-thank you, and not by the rest, which is rather a pity. For the miserable bunch that did not go to anything, we have had two further games evenings at the Epsom Liberal Club, enjoyed by attendees' and thanks go to Dave Shearring for setting this up. Also on 2nd December a Childrens' party was held and enjoyed by all. Unfortunately the flu hit a few (that ain't easy to say) and the numbers were reduced -thanks to Mick Ford for the entertainment, to all those who helped, to Brian Mutter for organising this one and to the Directors for their contribution on this.

## DINNER/DANCE:

We have made the arrangements for the dinner and Dance, which is to be held at the BURNT STUB AT CHESSINGTON ZOO (World of Adventures) on Saturday 13th December-TIMES T.B.A. if you have not told us that you wish to come-do so before it is too late. We have imposed a £5 per person refundable deposit in order to prevent people being catered for. The company is very generously providing the dinner and dance for us, so please support the event-IT IS FOR YOU TO ENJOY.

ANY ONE WISHING TO COME SEE BRIAN MUTTER, KEITH PAYNE OR ANDY PALMER.

There will be a raffle and any prize donations will be gratefully accepted

We did try several events to Paul McCartney and Brands Hatch etc, which had to be abandoned for the usual reason NO SUPPORT!! If you wish the Social Club to be bothered to organise things for 1990 you must take an interest, if not others will loose out too. Come on get the old finger out and start to think about next year and bring forth some tangible suggestions and then make use of the facility, then the Social club can improve your leisure time by buying things like the snooker table. BE THERE OR BE FOREVER BORING AND MISERABLE.

TWO THOUGHTS FOR THE DAY FROM MY CALENDER:

**FRIDAY**

Work is the best thing ever invented for  
killing time.

*let me know*

**FRIDAY**

Some motoring accidents are caused by  
faulty mechanism, but more are caused by  
a faulty nut at the wheel.

## News from the "OPS" Section

### Weddings

Congratulations to Steve and Yvette Neale on their Marriage at Epsom Registry Office on Monday 20th November. The couple spent their honeymoon in Tenerife three weeks before the wedding!!

Congratulations are also due to Roger Dodds and Valerie who celebrated 25 years of Married bliss on 5th December.

### New members of staff

We welcome the following new members to the driving staff: Dennis Sainsbury, Steve Savage, Richard Howes, Alan Graves, George Elphick, Dave Stilling, Douglas Bone and re-joining the fold are Richard Davies, Kevin Rankin and Steve Harris. We wish all the above a long and happy association with the Company.

### Staff Sickness

Unfortunately we have had a number of our team off with health problems recently, happily most have returned to work none the worse for wear. They include: Ray Houlton, Ray Dando, Charlie Kingsley, Dave Andrews, Trevor Allen and Kevin Heather (still off). We sincerely hope that all are now feeling well again.

### Departed Drivers

Sadly we have lost the services of the following staff who have gone on to pastures new, they include long serving members Allan Lewis and Mervyn Tonkin both with 16 years service, Brian Jones, Keith Garner and Laurie Norton (almost). We wish them every success in their new ventures.

### Driver Training

We have a number of trainees awaiting tests at the moment, these include: Paul Kensett, Simon Mills and Mike Barnett all of whom are potential Bus Drivers. Alan Graves was recently successful in upgrading his licence. On the Coach front we have Michael Campion and Bill Rose awaiting their tests in January.



These improvements will improve the working environment for the staff and our image with regard to our customers. Once the new Computer is fully operational, the existing computer room will be turned over to more beneficial use.

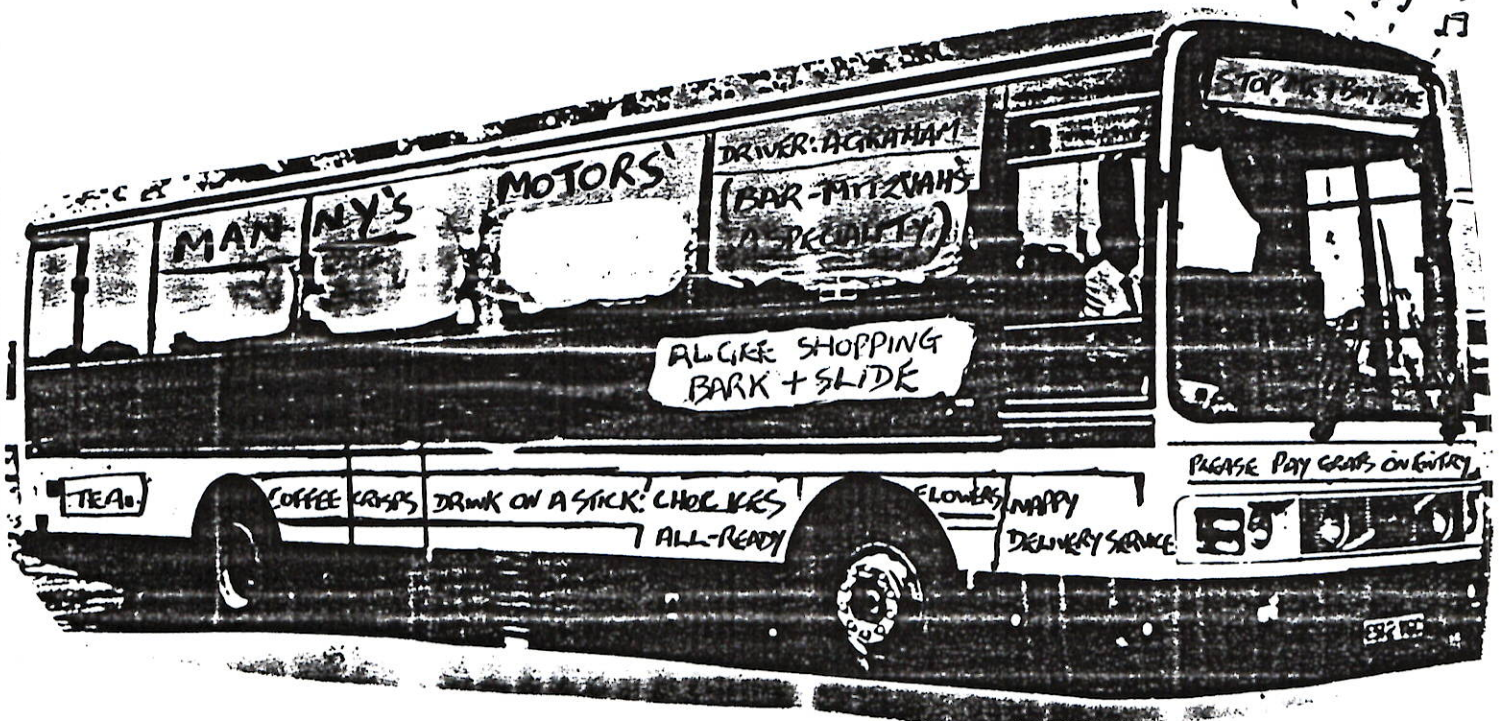
Stop Press:

Barry Harding has just discovered that Fiona is 7 MONTHS pregnant. Fiona wishes to pass on her thanks as she has been desperately trying to lose the weight she seemed to be gaining. Barry's discovery has put her mind at rest.



DAVE SHRARRING ON  
THE WAY HOME  
FROM A 'GOOD OLD BINGE'

OUR LATEST PROMOTIONS VEHICLE



REMEMBER: "SPEND MONEY WITH MANNY!"



**KEITH PAYNE** added yet another FTD trophy to an already impressive collection when he won the latest round of the BARC Sprint Championship held recently at Goodwood. The Essex man got his Mallock around the partly resurfaced 2.4 miles in 85.02s, which left his nearest rival over eight seconds in arrears.

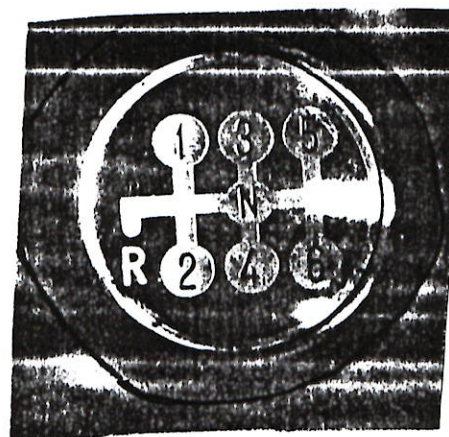
The London CC hosted meeting saw the Production Cars open proceedings and the class winning Neil Phillips, John Blennerhasset, Ian Ward and Steve Muir all had a margin to spare over the runners-up. In the Roadgoing division, things weren't so clear cut and in the 1300cc class the top five were blanketed by just one second. Tony Street led home Tim Harris, Tim Wright, Jim Ewing and his (Street's) wife Maureen.

In the 1300 class Bob Mayfield slaughtered the opposition while Caterham 7 drivers Richard Hough and Kim Adams were separated by just 0.33s in the two litre class. Kevin Cains lay on fourth after the first runs in the unlimited class, but later on the Datsun 260Z driver pulled out the stops to get home with just 0.36s to spare over Brian Clutterbuck, who had tried hard to maintain his first run advantage. David White and Hugh Davies ensured that it was a strong class, all four covered by 1.23s.

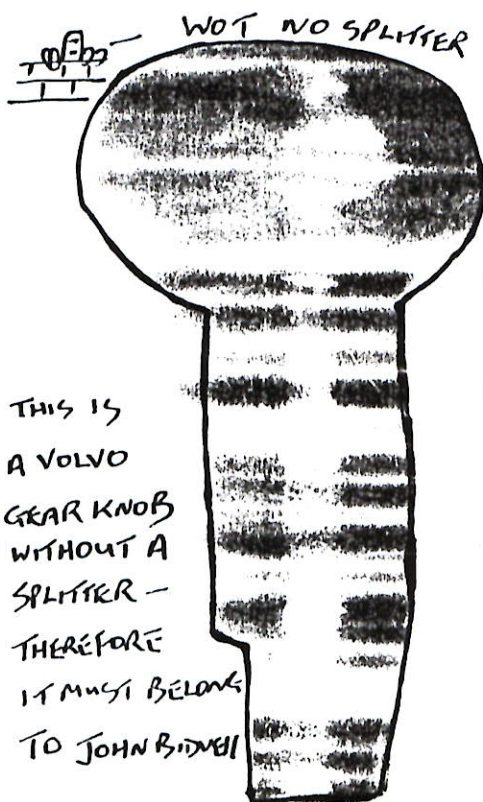
The smallest of the Modified classes saw David Ellis (Stiletto) set the pace but his first run advantage was eroded by Chris Judge, who wound up his Avonbar Mini to scrape home by 0.1s. Andy Hobbs likewise headed class 10 on first runs, but Steve Reynolds found a useful improvement to snatch the spoils. Troy Dunlop put class 11 beyond his rivals on his opening run. There were some pretty potent cars in the unlimited capacity class but even the presence of the Metro 6R4s of John Mc Kerrell and John Coles couldn't stop the fearsome Escort-Chevrolet of Worthing's John Churchley, whose 93.08s represented the second fastest time of the day.

Staunch London CC member Chris Kingwell took the first of the Sports Racing classes, while John Bailey was the sole entry in the next. Payne was a runaway winner in the final class, circuit racing veteran Reg Powell leading the pursuers.

D.E.C.



Keith  
**Keith**: Often beat the  
 Germans down to the  
 pool. *IN JERSEY.*



THIS IS  
A VOLVO  
GEAR KNOB  
WITHOUT A  
SPLITTER -  
THEREFORE  
IT MUST BELONG  
TO JOHN BIRNELL





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## Sundry and All

On October 20th Sid the manager was asked to go and look for 347 in the yard, he returned half hour later to find out that it had been sold.

David Blackmoor went up to town in his car to go checking the buses and walked back. then he remembered that he had taken the car up there and forgotten it.

Les Wernham (or well we think it was him) was spotted WASHING coaches out the back.

Steve Neale got the blame for the power cut in the office, but he was actually polishing the new units in Coach Hire.

Dave Shearring got sent on an errand, but was with coffee at the time, in the absence of anywhere to put the cup-it was placed in the Shearring pigeon hole, still filled. Whilst we are on the subject Mr Shearring was found guilty of trying to disrupt Keith, who had a customer and had to try very hard to keep a straight face as Dave had put a large rubber nose on. (I'll get my own back)

Anyone watch the Chronicles of Narnia, well it has a dirty great Lion in it called ASLAM-Rosemary referred to him as ASLEF, obviously a mane lion station. Miss Clarke left her York hotel without paying the phone bill, she said someone came into her room-fancy letting the maid in to use the phone.

We are going to have a production of Snow White and the SIX not so small dwarfs found in the brochure grotto addressing envelopes were Gaye Tony Cuckow, Tony Mundy Mark Walsh, Andy Palmer and Merv Tomkin-you can put your own names to the parts.

Did you know that Alisair bets on the horses, as well as stuffing himself stupid.

Anybody found a moustache because Stan Alport is looking for one for his boy Phil-doesn't he look old now. Terry Green and Sid the manager have lost their facial hair as well-see draw on hair department.

As Mark will be able to join you all on the road from 31st December driving coaches, he has said that it must have a splitter or else he is not coming in-see you lot have taught he well and be kinder to him than you were to me when I got stuck in DUKE STREET St. James-was Phil Wedlake joking or not, did he really say 'leave him there and see what we have to put up with'-I bet he did.

Ken Lifford has sold his Morry Minor-a sad day indeed.

Plum spots Les Wernham at Fort William-Les did not see plum (Plum said he was looking at a map down his trousers). Maurice was told to wash the coaches in the dry summer with two buckets of water as there was a hosepipe ban. He washed the coach by hand and was then told that there WAS NOT a ban-he was jolly annoyed.

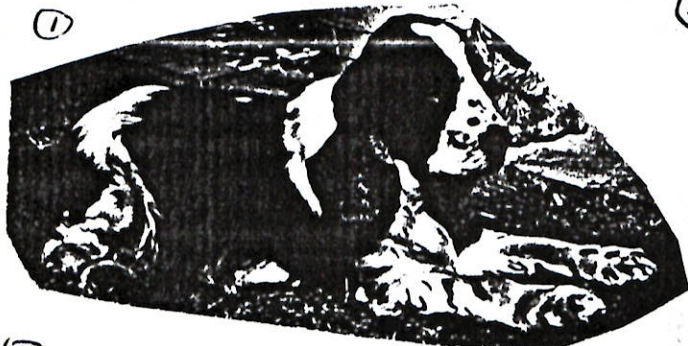


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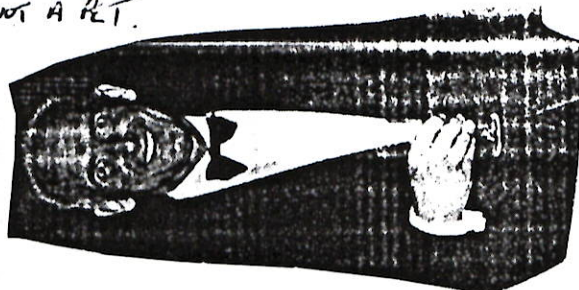


WHO OWNS THESE PETS - ANSWERS ELSEWHERE!

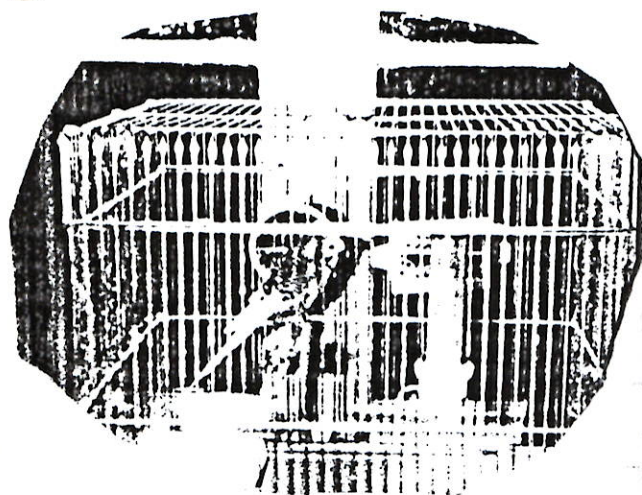
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(2) NOT A PET.



(3)



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(1) ROBERT DODDS SPANKS (2) A TRICK QUESTION - ITS COUNT AT BRASS/LEAD (3) BEGGIE THE ENGINE (ROSE)  
(4) MAURICE'S 'POODLE' (5) THE OSTRICH COMES FROM RRA (6) A BUNNY RUBBER STAMP  
WHICH BELONGS TO ME!